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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2008 and the personal interview with Examiner Hoekstra on October 28, 2008, and upon entry of the attached Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.